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Subject: Re: Block 18 Interim Use

I am available for an hour on August 23rd and 25th in the afternoon between noon and 1:30 and on August 24th between noon and 1:00. I have other appointments at 2:45 and at 2:00 and in the evenings on those days.

FYI- The minutes of the June 27th Guadalupe Neighborhood Development Corporation (GNDC) meeting, which have been adopted, reflect the following regarding Block 18 interim use:

VII. Other Board Business...

D. Block 18 ideas for "interim improvements, uses, development". The board discussed what they would like to see on Block 18 and things they would not want there. Green space, shade, a farmer's market, childrens' activities, inclusive things such as services, and a water feature were all things people liked. A dog park was not liked by all. Things that were not seen as favored were: (any more) trailers, anything creating noise (no additional music activities).

Note that GNDC has a number of rental properties ranging from a half block to a couple blocks from Block 18; including 1005 A & B Lydia Street, 1004 Lydia, 1000 Lydia, 1112 East 10th Street, 1002 A & B Wheeless Street, 1111 A & B East 10th Street; 1007 Waller Street.

The Guadalupe Association for an Improved Neighborhood (GAIN) met on June 25, 2011 and discussed interim use for Block 18. The item was posted on the agenda as follows:

10:35 Discussion of "What would you (we) like to see happen on Block 18, the block where the Victory Grill is, between Waller, Lydia, East 11th and Juniper?

Here are the main ideas that came out of the discussion:

Good things would be things like: Green space, food and art fairs; health fairs, children's activities; places to sit in the shade, nicer fence, landscaping. Contrasting feelings were expressed about: Food trailers (feelings were better if they do not stay open late and if they are well managed-- like Purple Bean, NOT like those at East 6th and Waller or "East Side Drive-In". Some people felt strongly that they did not want anything like a permanent stage or "amphitheater-like" seating. Kenny Dorham's was fine, but no more live outdoor music. No one expressed a desire for more outdoor music.

I hope that helps.

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